




**AUTUMN TERM**

**19 December 2025**



**CRADLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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# **School Newsletter**

## **Message from the Head Teacher**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of term, we would like to thank you for your continued support. The past few weeks have been filled with festive fun and wonderful memories for the children.

Highlights included our pantomime visit, a delicious Christmas lunch, and the excitement of Santa's visit and the Santa Safari, all of which brought huge smiles and plenty of Christmas cheer.

Our term ended beautifully with the Carol Service, where the children sang with confidence and helped us celebrate the true spirit of the season.

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our staff for their hard work and dedication, and to our parents and carers for your ongoing support and cooperation throughout the term.

We are very proud of all the children and wish you a happy, restful Christmas break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year.

God Bless,

Mrs Jones

### **VALUE OF THE MONTH**

#### **PEACE**

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

John 16:33

**Merry  
Christmas**



# School Calendar

## December

22 & 23 - Holiday Club

29 & 30 - Holiday Club

## January

6 - Back to school

20 - Rags 2 Riches clothing collection

22 - Maple Class Open Classroom

27 - Choir to Young Voices

## February

12 - Sycamore Class Collective Worship

13 - Half term

23 - Back to school



## Music Lessons At Cradley

**PIANO, CLARINET,  
SAXOPHONE AND  
SINGING LESSONS**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE  
CONTACT ELIZABETH BENNETT**

**[elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethbennettmusic@gmail.com)**



Guitar & Ukelele Lessons  
with Tom Doherty  
[tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tom-doherty@hotmail.co.uk)

Mrs Bennett now also teaches flute.

Piano, clarinet, flute, saxophone and  
singing - Wednesday

Guitar and ukelele - Monday and  
Tuesday

## Attendance



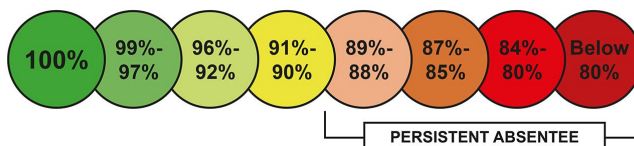
Well done to Birch Class who have had 99.47% attendance this week! Please can we remind parents that **arrivals after 8.45am are counted as late and arrivals after 8.55am once registers close count as a missed morning session and are included in attendance figures.**

Maple Class	97.69%
Sycamore Class	97.65%
Birch Class	99.47%
Oak Class	90.00%

Whole school 96.2%

### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which **CIRCLE** are you in?

## Clubs

We are busy working on the extra-curricular clubs programme for next term. If you would like to volunteer to run a club - either after school or at lunchtime - please let the office know. You will need to hold a current enhanced DBS.

Any sports that we don't currently offer, or any other activities - craft, board games etc - would be most welcome!

The new timetable will be circulated once we're back in school.



# WEEKLY AWARDS



## HAZEL CLASS

### Friendship Award

Edith and Sebastian

### Stars of the Week

Ezra for his excellent behaviour on our recent trip to West Midlands Safari Park.

Olly for his fantastic behaviour on our recent trip to West Midlands Safari Park.

## MAPLE CLASS

### Friendship Award

Melody

### Stars of the Week

All of Maple Class for having a brilliant first term in school.

## SYCAMORE CLASS

### Friendship Award

Billy-Joe

### Star of the Week

Aurelia for her positive attitude towards her learning.

Oskar for his mature attitude towards his behaviour.

## BIRCH CLASS

### Friendship Award

Stan

### Stars of the Week

Rory for being so positive and enjoying the pantomime.

Jack for learning all of the words for our class song so quickly.

## OAK CLASS

### Friendship Award

Hudson

### Stars of the Week

Dom for his all round enthusiasm in all areas of learning.

Zach for stepping in at the last minute and reading at the Carol Service.

## HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Rennelle for being so brave and reading in front of a packed church.

Zach for stepping in at the last minute and reading so well.

Daisy and George for singing amazing solos at the Carol Service.



## Head Teacher's Award



## Stars of The Week





## Friendship Award







## Nursery News



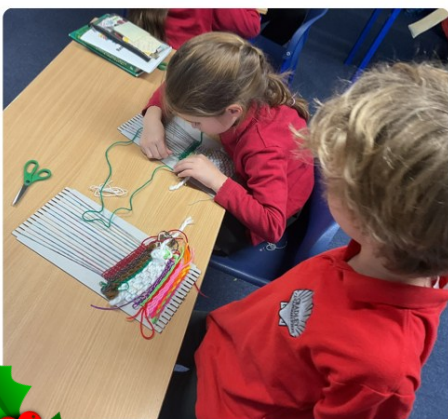
We wish you a all a  
very Merry Christmas

Wow! What a busy week we have had in nursery this week. The children have enjoyed festive activities with their older siblings and friends during a mix up afternoon, there have been visits from Santa, and a fun filled party with Teeny Tots. On Wednesday, everyone had a fantastic day out at West Midland Safari Park, visiting Santa at the North Pole and seeing all the animals.



## Birch Class

Birch Class have been busy weaving a hanging decoration. They have all done this independently, Miss Hughes is so proud of them all!





# Oak Class





## Christmas

22-23 December

29-30 December

# Holiday Club

At Cradley CE Primary School  
WR13 5NG

Booking is  
now open!

## Session Times

9am - 1pm

9am - 3pm

8am - 5pm

1pm - 3pm

## Activities

- Enrichment activities including Tennis and Tae Kwon Do
- Trip to West Midlands Safari Park
- Movie and party afternoons

Breakfast (8am-5pm session) and healthy snacks are provided.

Hot Lunch option is available when booking or children must bring their own packed lunch.

For more information please email  
[ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk](mailto:ismith@cradley.hereford.sch.uk)

Booking and payment must be made in advance using this link: [Cradley Holiday Club with Cradley Holiday Club - Eegu](#)

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# Christmas Holiday Club

Monday 22nd December	Tuesday 23rd December	Monday 29th December	Tuesday 30th December
Morning - Connexus Sports	Santa Safari at West Midlands Safari Park	Morning - Connexus Sports	Morning - Tae Kwon Do with GMSTKD
Afternoon - Movie afternoon		Afternoon - Movie afternoon	Afternoon - Party Afternoon

All activities are weather dependent and subject to change.

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# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## Reception admissions for 2026-2027

Do you have a child born between  
1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022

If so you will need to apply for a school place  
by 15 January 2026  
(to commence September 2026)

Applications can be completed from  
**15 September 2025** online  
(scan QR code) or visit:




[www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions](http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/schools-education/primary-school-admissions)

Please note: a place at a nursery does not  
guarantee a place at the associated primary  
school, therefore you must still apply.

For further information please contact the school  
admissions team on 01432 260926 / 261574 or  
[schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@herefordshire.gov.uk)





# SHREK THE MUSICAL

Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture  
and the book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by

David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by

Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by

DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street  
Productions

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with

Music Theatre International

All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI

[www.mtishows.co.uk](http://www.mtishows.co.uk)

## 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> February 2026

(2pm matinee on 14<sup>th</sup>)

Tickets £10 adults, £6 students

[ticketsource/masefieldarts](http://ticketsource/masefieldarts)



## STORRIDGE, CRADLEY & MATHON TEENY TOTS PLAY GROUP

Join us for play, singing and nature walks

Thursdays during term time

Children aged 0-5 years

10:30 am - 12:00 noon

Only £2 per family,

Includes a drink and a snack.

At the Scout Hut in Cradley

The Old Rectory Rooms, Churchfields Lane, Cradley,  
Herefordshire WR13 5LL

Call Rachel with any questions 07790890183

Parents/carers are responsible for their children at all times.